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## BLOCKS GERMAN LUST FOR POWER

TEUTONS SEEKING TO OBTAIN MILITARY POST ON WESTERN HEMISPHERE.

## DISREGARD MONROE DOCTRINE

Offered Triple Price for Canal Concession in Nicaragua—Influence Felt in Chile and Uruguay—Desires Control of Haiti.

Washington.—The United States has been for some time carefully guarding secret information in its possession that Germany, disregard of the Monroe Doctrine, has sought to obtain military as well as commercial footholds in certain republics of the Western Hemisphere. Because of this knowledge, it is said, Democratic and Republican leaders joined in the determined fight against consideration of the proposed Nicaraguan and Colombian treaties in open session.

Tried to Outbid U. S.

By a vote of 4 to 1, it was decided to debate these conventions, both dealing with Panama Canal routes, behind closed doors.

Documents in possession of the senate are reported to disclose that Germany tried to outbid the United States for a strip of land through Nicaragua to be used for oceanic canal purposes, also for naval bases in that vicinity.

It is also asserted that Germany sought a canal concession from Colombia and the right to establish a naval base at Cartagena.

The United States prevented the purchases from the two republics and hastened to make treaties insuring the exclusive control by this country of all canal and naval-base privileges.

And this, despite the fact, it is said, that Germany offered Nicaragua \$9,000,000 for the canal strip which Nicaragua is ready to cede to the United States for \$3,000,000.

Influence in Chile.

The senate also has displayed keen interest in the intelligence that Germany has extended its military influence in Chile and Uruguay by training the armies of those two countries.

Germany is reported to have tried to gain domination over Haiti by control of the customs and the establishment of a naval base at Mole St. Nicholas. Here again the United States outwitted the Berlin government and the pending Haitian treaty is expected to block any efforts of the Germans to assert their political influence in that country.

Convicted of Killing Mother.

Princeton, Indiana.—A jury has brought in a verdict of life sentence against Bert Hope, charged with killing his aged mother, 76, November 8.

25 Quit, 6,000 Out of Work.

Trenton, N. J.—About 25 stokers at the John A. Roebling Sons plant here refused to go to work because their demands for more pay and shorter hours had been declined, and as a result the plant, employing about 6,000 men, was closed.

Killed by "Empty" Shotgun.

Danbury, Conn.—William Huss, a young farmer, is dead as the result of being shot by his wife with a shotgun she believed to be empty. The young man was at breakfast when his wife pointed it at him and pulled the trigger.

Liner Adriatic Brings Gold.

New York, N. Y.—The new White Star steamship Adriatic arrived from Liverpool, bringing \$30,000,000 in gold and securities for New York bankers. New British torpedo boat destroyers escorted the steamship.

Crossed Wires Cause Fire.

Montreal, Canada.—Crossed wires caused a \$50,000 fire in the forge department of the Canada Car and Foundry Company.

Lynched for Farmer's Death.

Macon, Ga.—Marvin Harris, a negro, accused of killing an aged farmer, was lynched near here.

Warship Found Blocked.

New York.—Marjorie Sterrett, the Brooklyn girl, who started a contribution to build a battleship for the U. S. navy by sending 10 cents to a newspaper, and calling upon other children to do the same has received a letter from Josephus Daniels, returning her 10-cent donation.

Farmer, 73, Wins Housekeeper, 55.

Pana, Ill.—Wells Norton Evans, 55, and Levi Walker, 73, retired farmer of Pana, were secretly married in the city of Springfield, Ill. The bride had been Mr. Walker's housekeeper for several months.

Garison Will Offer Help.

New York.—Lindley M. Garrison, former secretary of war, said that when his successor was appointed he would offer to go to Washington and help the new secretary become acquainted with his job.

Sample Jewelry Stolen.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Jewelry valued at \$8,000 was stolen from the traveling case of Mrs. Rosen, traveling for a Buffalo, N. Y., concern. He left a hotel here to go to Greensburg, Ind., and when he arrived he discovered his sample cases looted.

Women Gain in Oklahoma.

Oklahoma City, Ok.—A joint resolution authorizing the submission of a woman suffrage amendment to the state constitution was adopted by the Oklahoma house of representatives.

## I OWE MY HEALTH

To Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Washington Park, Ill.—"I am the mother of four children and have suffered with female trouble, backache, nervous spells and the blues. My children's loud talking and romping would make me so nervous I could just tear everything to pieces and I would ache all over and feel so sick that I would not want anyone to talk to me at times. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills restored me to health and I want to thank you for the good they have done me. I have had quite a bit of trouble and worry but it does not affect my youthful looks. My friends say 'Why do you look so young and well?' I owe it all to the Lydia E. Pinkham remedies."

—Mrs. ROBT. STOMEL, Moore Avenue, Washington Park, Ill.

We wish every woman who suffers from female troubles, nervousness, backache or the blues could see the letters written by women made well by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If you have any symptom about which you would like to know write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for helpful advice given free of charge.

Speaking of educated snakes, the adder's in a class by himself.

Recipe for Gray Hair.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 4 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any drug store will put this up for you and it is at home at very little cost. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and remove dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.—Adv.

Home is better of bliss to some men only when it's the little lower.

BANISH PIMPLES QUICKLY

Easily and Cheaply by Using Cuticura Soap and Ointment. Trial Free.

Smear the pimples lightly with Cuticura Ointment on end of finger and allow it to remain on five minutes. Then bathe with hot water and Cuticura Soap and continue some minutes. This treatment is best upon rising and retiring, but is effective at any time. Free sample each by mail with book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Send everywhere.—Adv.

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To Drive Out Malaria

And Build Up The System

Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHERRY TONIC. You know what you are taking, as the formula is printed on every label, showing it to be Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out malaria, the Iron builds up the system. 50 cents.

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and constant use will burn out the scalp. Cleanse the scalp by shampooing with "La Creole" Hair Dressing, and darken, in the natural way, those ugly, grizzled hairs. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

A man never devotes much time to wheeling his second baby around the block.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Doan's Kidney Pills. They cure all cases of itching, burning, bleeding or protruding piles. First application gives relief. See.

Paradoxical Appropriateness.

"What war weather this has been!" "Yes; that is why everybody has been roasting it."

Makes Work a Burden

A bad back makes hard work harder. All day the dull throbs and the sharp, darting pains make you miserable, and there's no rest at night. Maybe it's your daily work that hurts the kidneys, for jarring, jolting, lifting, reaching, dampness and many other strains do weaken them. Cure the kidneys. Use Doan's Kidney Pills. They have helped thousands and should do as well for you. Thousands recommend them.

A Missouri Case

G. W. Burkhardt, Jefferson St., No. 300, Mo., says: "Constant stooping and straining at my work weakened my kidneys and made my back very lame. At times I was unable to work, and at night I was troubled with frequent passages of the kidney secretions. On a relative's advice, I used Doan's Kidney Pills, and they removed the ailments after other medicines had failed."

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When your child cries at night, tosses restlessly in its sleep, is constipated, feverish or has symptoms of worms, you feel worried. Mothers who value their own comfort and the welfare of their children, should never be without a box of

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for use throughout the season. They tend to break up colds, relieve feverishness, constipation, teething disorders, move and regulate the bowels and destroy worms. These powders are pleasant to take and easy for parents to give. They cleanse the stomach, act on the liver and give beautiful sleep. Don't accept for regulating the child's any substitute system.

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Be sure you ask for and obtain Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children.

## Not a Bite of Breakfast Until You Drink Water

Says a glass of hot water and phosphate prevents illness and keeps it fit.

Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of combustible material in the form of ashes, so the food and drink taken day after day leaves in the alimentary canal a certain amount of indigestible material, which if not completely eliminated from the system each day, becomes food for the millions of bacteria which infest the bowels. From this mass of left-over waste, toxins and ptomaine-like poisons are formed and sucked into the blood.

Men and women who can't get feeling right must begin to take inside baths. Before eating breakfast each morning drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash out of the thirty feet of bowels the previous day's accumulation of poisons and toxins and to keep the entire alimentary canal clean, pure and fresh.

Those who are subject to sick headache, colds, biliousness, constipation, others who wake up with bad taste, foul breath, backache, rheumatic stiffness, or have a sour, gassy stomach after meals, are urged to get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from any druggist or storekeeper, and begin practicing internal sanitation. This will cost very little, but is sufficient to make anyone an enthusiast on the subject.

Remember inside bathing is more important than outside bathing, because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood, causing poor health, while the bowel pores do. Just as soap and hot water cleanses, sweetens and freshens the skin, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the stomach, liver kidneys and bowels.—Adv.

Fools and children can be relied upon to tell the truth—at the wrong time.

WHEN KIDNEYS ACT BAD

TAKE GLASS OF SALTS

Eat Less Meat If Kidneys Hurt or You Have Backache or Bladder Misery—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headache, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage or attended by a sensation of scalding, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which all regular meat eaters should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.—Adv.

When the world frowns, we can face it; but let it smile, and we are undone.—Lytton.

Geese Could Not Skate.

A flock of more than fifty wild geese mistook glare ice in Kabekona bay, Leech Lake, Minn., for placid water, and after alighting on the smooth surface were unable to take flight and were held prisoners. The ice was so slippery it prevented the geese from "taking a running start" in order to fly.

The geese, falling about on their backs, attracted four hunters, who were unable to reach them on account of the dangerous thinness of the ice. Finally a wooden platform was built and pushed over the ice into the flock. The birds then toppled aboard the platform, made a run of it and soon were flying away.

Cold-Blooded Criticism.

"It's impossible to tell the truth all the time."

"So it seems. What prompted that remark?"

"I've just been listening to a man discussing the merits of his new motorcar. The gloss of the tonneau, the luxurious upholstery, the dazzling reflection from the brass and nickel parts and the swiftly spinning wheels of a new car never fail to bewitch the senses of its owner and warp his judgment of a machine that is at best but a striking example of man's inability to make anything that is perfect."

For Polishing Glass.

Calcined magnesia, rubbed down with pure benzine, makes an excellent preparation for cleaning and polishing the surfaces of fine glass, such as costly mirrors, etc. The mass formed must be sufficiently soft to allow drops of the liquid to be squeezed out of it. The mixture should be kept in closely stoppered bottles, and in use, a little of it is placed on a bit of cotton or a soft rag with which the glass is rubbed.

Mystery!

How is it that a maniacal convict can escape unhurt by leaping from a train running at the rate of 30 miles an hour, when every time the average citizen slips in alighting from a car he injures himself so severely that the railway company must pay him big damages?

Experience Not Safe Guide.

It is foolish to try to live on past experience. It is a very dangerous, if not a fatal habit to judge ourselves to be safe because of something that we felt or did twenty years ago.—Spurgeon.

## JUST WANTED TO THAW OUT

Captain of American Vessel Acted as Host to Half Dozen Undersea Germans in Distress.

So cold did the crew of a German submarine become while sailing beneath ice floes in the Baltic sea that they rose to the surface, halted the American steamer Moren, bound from Copenhagen to Philadelphia, and asked permission to spend the afternoon aboard in order to thaw out.

Captain Wheeler, master of the Moren, told of the incident just before his vessel left Philadelphia.

About the middle of December, when the steamer was battling against furious gales in the Baltic, the chief officer noticed that they were being signaled by a submarine. The U-boat came alongside and eight men came aboard the Moren. Captain Wheeler supposed they wanted to examine the ship's papers, but they told him all they desired was a few hours' release from their frigid quarters on the undersea vessel.

Although heavily clad in fur garments, the Germans were blue from the cold. They said their craft had been under the ice nearly two days, unable to rise because of the drifting floes, and that it had become almost impossible to live in the submarine. The plates that formed the sides of the boat, they said, were only half an inch thick and the heating apparatus was inadequate.

The steward of the Moren gladly donated the visitors with coffee and other hot drinks. They remained aboard until nearly dark. Then, after being assured by Captain Wheeler that none but Americans were on the Moren, they went back into the submarine and soon disappeared under the ice.

Scottish Ghost Story.

The young Grenadier guardsman, Sir George Hounston-Boswell, who is reported "missing, believed killed," is a wealthy Berkshire landowner and a scion of an ancient Scottish family. A weird ghost story is associated with Allanbank, the residence inherited by him from his ancestors, the extinct Stuart baronets. Allanbank remained empty for a number of years because it was haunted by an apparition known as "Pearlin Jean," so called because she was a novice in a continental convent when the first baronet, Sir Robert Stuart, fell in love with her. Sir Robert deserted her, and the girl flung herself under the wheels of his carriage, and was killed. When the faithless lord returned to Allanbank he was horrified by visions of the girl. Seven ministers were called in to lay "Pearlin Jean," but her spirit would not rest.

Teaching Cops Politeness.

Commissioner Wood has a plan to remove the sulphur from the atmosphere, says the New York Times. He has just organized a squad of uniformed professors of ethical culture, with traffic policemen. The commissioner has discovered that the cops in their controversies with chauffeurs often go a bit beyond the bounds of proper conversation. Instead of the policeman saying "—" to the chauffeur, and the chauffeur replying in like manner, it is planned to have the policeman say softly: "Pardon me, if you will please turn that automobile of yours around and go west through that other street, it will relieve me of considerable worry." And the chauffeur is expected to reply: "All right, dear sir. You are absolutely correct. I shall do as you suggest." To make it easier for them, the professors are conducting some of their classes in garages and stables.

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A. G. DRAKE.

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But like counterfeit money the imitation has not the worth of the original. Insist on "La Creole" Hair Dressing—it's the original. Darkens your hair in the natural way, but contains no dye. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

Lazy men distribute a lot of worthless advice.

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